Maine Revised Statutes

Title 22: HEALTH AND WELFARE

Chapter 1684: SENTINEL EVENTS REPORTING HEADING: PL 2001, c. 678, §1 (new)

§8755. COMPLIANCE

1. **Oversight.** The division shall place primary emphasis on ensuring effective corrective action by the facility.

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[ 2009, c. 358, §7 (NEW) .]
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2. Penalties. When the division determines that a health care facility failed to report a sentinel event pursuant to this chapter, the health care facility is subject to a penalty imposed in conformance with Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 4 and payable to the State of not more than \$10,000 per violation. If the facility in good faith notified the division of a suspected sentinel event and the division later determines it is a sentinel event, the facility is not subject to a penalty for that event. Funds collected pursuant to this section must be deposited in a dedicated special revenue account to be used to support sentinel event reporting and education.

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[ 2009, c. 358, §7 (NEW) .]
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3. Administrative hearing and appeal. To contest the imposition of a penalty under this section, a health care facility must submit to the division a written request for an administrative hearing within 10 days of notice of imposition of a penalty pursuant to this section. Judicial appeal must be in accordance with Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 7.

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[ 2009, c. 358, §7 (NEW) .]
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4. Injunction. Notwithstanding any other remedies provided by law, the Office of the Attorney General may seek an injunction to require compliance with the provisions of this chapter.

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[ 2009, c. 358, §7 (NEW) .]
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5. **Enforcement.** The Office of the Attorney General may file a complaint with the District Court seeking injunctive relief for violations of this chapter.

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[ 2009, c. 358, §7 (NEW) .]

SECTION HISTORY
2001, c. 678, §1 (NEW). 2001, c. 678, §3 (AFF). 2009, c. 358, §7 (RPR).
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